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FOLLOWINGHREPEAT SECTO 1035 ACTION SECSTATE USUN AMEMBASSY'S  
AMMAN BEIRUT ABU DHABI BLEGRADE BUCHAREST BONN ALGIERS CAIRO  
DAMASCUS KUWAIT KHARTOUM JIDDA LONDON MUSCAT PARIS RABAT ROME  
SANA MANAMA TEHRAN TUNIS USNATO INFO MOSCOW 19 JAN

QUOTE: S E C R E T SECTO 01035

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP (VANCE, CYRUS)

SUBJECT: JERUSALEM PEACE NEGOTIATIONS

1. AS YOU WILL KNOW, EGYPTIAN DELEGATION RETURNED  
TO CAIRO TONIGHT ON SADAT'S INSTRUCTIONS. PRESIDENT  
CARTER TALKED WITH PRESIDENT SADAT, AS DID THE SECRETARY,  
AND SADAT EXPLAINED HIS REASONS. THE SECRETARY ALSO  
TALKED WITH FOREIGN MINISTER KAMEL BEFORE HIS DE-  
PARTURE AND WITH PRIME MINISTER BEGIN. THIS IS  
OBVIOUSLY A DIFFICULT MOMENT IN THE PEACE NEGOTIA-  
TIONS. KAMEL HAS SAID, HOWEVER, THAT HE IS RETURNING  
HOME FOR CONSULTATIONS. NO ONE HAS SAID THAT THIS  
IS A BREAK IN THE PEACE NEGOTIATIONS.

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2. THE SECRETARY WILL BE TALKING TO PRIME MINISTER  
BEGIN TOMORROW AND, AS SCHEDULED, TO PRESIDENT  
SADAT ON FRIDAY IN CAIRO AND IT WOULD BE PREMATURE  
TO TALK ABOUT NEXT STEPS UNTIL AFTER THESE CONVERSA-  
TIONS. OBVIOUSLY, WE ARE DOWN TO VERY SERIOUS ISSUES.  
THE SECRETARY HAS BEEN ACTIVELY ENGAGED IN NEGOTIATIONS  
HERE, HAVING MET THREE TIMES TODAY WITH EGYPTIAN

FOREIGN MINISTER AND THREE TIMES WITH ISRAELI  
FOREIGN MINISTER, IN ADDITION TO FORMAL NEGOTIATIONS  
SESSIONS AT WHICH ALL DELEGATIONS PRESENT. WE HAVE  
IN FACT MADE PROGRESS IN TWO DAYS OF TALKS ON DECLARA-  
TION OF PRINCIPLES FOR COMPREHENSIVE PEACE SETTLEMENT.  
AFTER A PAUSE, WE EXPECT THE PARTIES TO RESUME NEGOTIA-  
TIONS.

3. WE BELIEVE IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THERE SHOULD BE NO  
HASTY REACTIONS OR PUBLIC STATEMENTS BY US OR OUR  
FRIENDS AT THIS TIME DRAWING PREMATURE CONCLUSIONS  
ABOUT THE RETURN OF THE EGYPTIAN DELEGATION FOR  
CONSULTATIONS. WE WOULD NOT LIKE TO SEE ANY REACTION  
WHICH MAKES MORE DIFFICULT THE PEACE PROCESS WHICH  
WE BELIEVE MUST CONTINUE.

4. YOU SHOULD CONTACT THE APPROPRIATE HIGH-LEVEL  
OFFICIALS AND CONVEY TO THEM OUR VIEWS, DRAWING ON  
THE ABOVE AND VARIOUS STATEMENTS THE SECRETARY  
HAS MADE TO THE PRESS THIS EVENING. IN PARTICULAR,  
YOU SHOULD DO WHAT YOU CAN TO ENCOURAGE THEM TO  
AVOID PREMATURE JUDGMENT ON TODAY'S EVENTS WHICH  
MIGHT PREJUDICE THE PROSPECTS FOR CONTINUED, USEFUL  
NEGOTIATIONS. THE FACT THAT EMOTIONS HAVE RISEN IS,  
IN OUR VIEW, NATURAL REFLECTION OF FACT THAT PARTIES  
HAVE BEGUN TO DEAL WITH THE GUT ISSUES, IN

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PARTICULAR THE PALESTINIAN PROBLE.

5. YOU SHOULD SAY THAT YOU WILL HAVE A FULLER REPORT  
TO CONVEY AFTER THE SECRETARY'S CONVERSATIONS WITH  
BEGIN AND SADAT WHEN WE WILL HAVE MORE TO REPORT ON  
THE CURRENT STATE OF PLAY.

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